

2017 PIKES PEAK USBC ANNUAL MEETING

TOURNAMENT COMMITTEE PRESENTATION

2017-2018 TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

The overall schedule was adjusted to allow the better spacing of events over the entire season. This should result in increased entries by not having several tournaments in a short period of time.

The Colorado Springs Masters was moved from the second weekend in December to the second weekend in September and will serve as the season's icebreaker event. It was moved to distance it from the holiday season when money is tight for many people and to take bad weather out of the equation, both which effect participation turnout.

The 2017-18 City Open Tournament was moved from the middle of October to the last two weekends in April and will serve as a season ending Adult tournament for the bowlers. One major change is changing the team event format from 4-bowler to 5-bowler teams as was approved by the Pikes Peak membership at the Annual Meeting. Hopefully, this change will grow the tournament by increasing the number of teams participating and therefore increasing the minor events turnout. Also, for the 2017-18 City Open, all tournament events will be in one bowling center – Harmony Bowl. This is being done for the 2017-2018 tournament, only. We want as many Colorado Springs centers as possible to host our larger participation events, year in and year out.

TOURNAMENT INITIATIVES

All handicap tournament prize funds will be paid on 1:5 ratio; one place paid for every five entries.

Handicap tournament lane patterns – recommend using the least difficult Challenge patterns available. There are lane patterns available which make allow for high scoring without being classified as house patterns, per the latest USBC parameters for Sport, Challenge, and House Patterns.

All tournament entries must be postmarked, or received, AND fully paid by the advertised early payment or closing date. Entries submitted without full payment will be considered as late entries and subject to the appropriate late fees, as are all entries received after the early payment or closing date. **NO EXCEPTIONS.** This is the team captain's responsibility.

We need to solicit tournament help from our membership to ensure each event provides an enjoyable tournament experience to the participants. The same applies to our tournament host centers. They need to be adequately staffed to meet the tournament bowlers' needs.